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POPULATION SHIFTS IN BULGARIA,
INCREASE IN TERRORIST ACTIVITY

BULGARIAN CHILDREN REPORTEDLY TAKEN FROM THEIR PARENTS--Istanbul, Hurriyet,
3 Nov 52

Ankara, 2 November -- Captain Mikhailenkov, [not further identified] who fled to Turkey from Bulgaria a week ago, was brought to Ankara under guard yesterday. Mikhailenkov, after crossing the border, surrendered himself to the commander of the border guard post, who reported the situation to the Bulgarian authorities. The captain told the Bulgarian delegation which came to the post that he had fled to Turkey to obtain freedom and that he would not return to Bulgaria.

In the statement he made in Ankara, Mikhailenkov said that Soviet oppression in Bulgaria was increasing daily, that masses of Bulgarian youths were being sent to the USSR to work, and that widespread massacres were carried out against even the slightest move to obtain freedom. According to the captain, children are being separated forcibly from their families for special training as Communist Party agents.

The captain reported that food was extremely scarce and that anti-Communists were being wiped out by not giving them food. He also reported that the army was completely controlled by the Soviets and that the country was, in effect, under military occupation.

BULGARIAN TERRORIST YOUTH ORGANIZATION -- Yeri: Istanbul, 22 Dec 52

Sofia, 21 December (Ankara Agency) -- The imminent realization of Turkish-Greek-Yugoslav cooperation has greatly upset the Bulgarian Communists. The Bulgarian government has transferred to the Danubian plain or the Stara Planina all people living in the vicinity of the Turkish, Greek, and Yugoslav borders and has replaced them with armed Communist youths from the plain and mountain areas.

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These youths, whose organization is known as "Tayfun," tour villages in groups of ten and are authorized to enter and search any type of building. The Bulgarian people call them "Angels of Death" and liquidate them whenever possible. However, the murder of a Tayfun member results immediately in the arbitrary execution of 25 persons from the vicinity in which the Tayfun member has been killed.

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